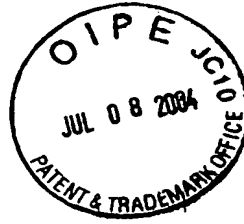


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Filed: February 9, 2004 ) Examiner: Burton S. Mullins  
For: PERMANENT MAGNET ALTERNATOR )  
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REGULATING THE OUTPUT VOLTAGE OF )  
A PERMANENT MAGNET ALTERNATOR )

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In response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed June 4, 2004, Applicants hereby elect Group I directed to the permanent magnet alternator including a retaining shield for reducing the effects of centrifugal motion of the present invention as recited in claims 1-10. Of course, Applicants reserve the right to file one or more divisional applications directed to the nonelected embodiments/inventions.

Prompt examination of the application is respectfully requested.

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